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## **Ventura City Council Appoints Interim City Manager Dan Paranick**

On November 13, 2017, the Ventura City Council appointed Assistant City Manager Dan Paranick to Interim City Manager effective December 29, 2017. Mr. Paranick has served as the City of Ventura Assistant City Manager since 2014 overseeing all City department operations and its \$277M budget.

Mr. Paranick has more than 25 years of governmental service experience serving as an Assistant City Manager, Administrative Services Director, and Deputy City Manager among other assignments during his tenure with the cities of Ventura, Camarillo, Simi Valley, and Maricopa County.

"The City Council is confident in Mr. Paranick's ability to the lead the City during this period. He has done an outstanding job leading the City through the Thomas Fire and helping us obtain much-needed FEMA assistance. I believe he will continue to guide the City in the right direction as we begin the recovery process," said Deputy Mayor Matt LaVere.

Paranick holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration with a concentration in City and County Management from Arizona State University, and a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from the University of California, Los Angeles.

The City is filling the Assistant City Manager vacancy, formerly occupied by Paranick, with two acting positions. The seats will be filled by Barry Fisher, former Director of the Ventura County Health Care Agency (retired 2016), and Elizabeth Foushee, the City of Ventura Human Resources Director.

The City Manager position became open when City Manager Mark Watkins announced his retirement in July 2017 and retired on December 28, 2017. The City Council is currently in the recruitment process.

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